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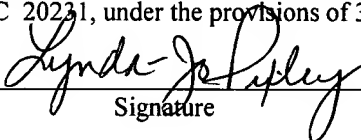
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<b>In re United States Patent Application of:</b>	)	
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<b>Applicants: Gautam Bhandari, et al.</b>	)	
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<b>Serial No.: 09/012,679</b>	)	<b>Examiner: N. Gonzalez</b>
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<b>Date Filed: January 23, 1998</b>	)	<b>Group Art Unit: 1621</b>
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<b>Title: TANTALUM AMIDE PRECURSORS</b>	)	
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE IN U.S. APPLICATION NO. 09/012,679**

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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee dated August 30, 1999 for the above-referenced application, Applicant hereby submits the Issue Fee Transmittal Form and the Issue Fee for \$1,210.00. Applicant no longer claims Small Entity Status under 37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(c). Accordingly, the Issue Fee submitted herewith reflects twice the amount printed on the Issue Fee Transmittal Form.

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